

December 12, 2007

Dear Arizona Health and Medical Researcher:

The Arizona Legislature has appropriated funds to the Arizona Biomedical Research Commission (ABRC) for the purpose of establishing “centralized public Arizona repositories of diverse types of human stem cells of non-embryonic origin for public use.” The ABRC is requesting Competitive Sealed Proposals from individuals, organizations, corporations, and institutions, public or private, for the establishment of the Arizona Non-embryonic Stem Cell Repository (ANeSCR). The Commission is excited at the opportunity to provide this valuable therapeutic and research resource within the state of Arizona.

The accompanying Request for Proposals (RFP) contains all the details needed to submit an application in response to the RFP. Please carefully read the RFP, include all requirements contained in the RFP, and sign and notarize the required Offeror’s Attestation and Commitment Statement.

The deadline for receipt of proposals by the Commission is February 4, 2008 at 4:00 p.m. Proposals will not be accepted after 4:00 p.m. Facsimile or email copies will not be accepted.

The RFP may be found on the Commission website www.azabrc.gov. On behalf of the Commission, I look forward to receiving your proposal. I wish you the best in the competition.

Sincerely,

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